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TITLE:	METHODS FOR)	
	STABILIZING AND)	
	CONTROLLING APOMIXIS)	
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SERIAL NO.:	09/744,614)	RESPONSE UNDER
)	37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

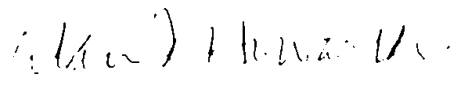
Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action mailed May 15, 2002.

Enclosed herewith is a Petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), wherein it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Office Action be extended for three months until November 15, 2002. Also enclosed herewith

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